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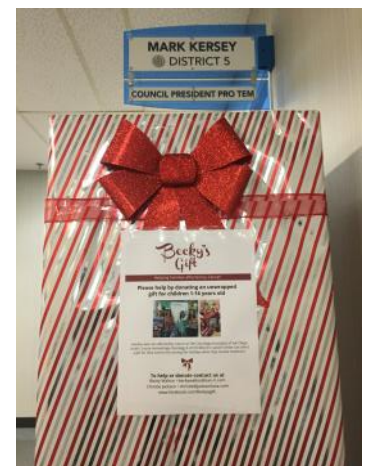
Prioritizing Public Safety

For years, the City of San Diego has struggled to retain and recruit police officers. Now, we are taking the aggressive steps necessary to tackle this issue and pay our officers at a level that reflects the quality of the police department San Diegans deserve. As the [San Diego Union-Tribune reports](#), pay for San Diego police officers will now rank above average in all pay categories for the first time in years. Police Chief Shelley Zimmerman said the news of the raises is already boosting the department with applicants and inquiries.



Supporting San Diego Families During the Holiday Season

In the spirit of giving back this holiday season, I'm partnering with [Becky's Gift](#) to collect unwrapped toys for children ages 1-16 who are going through cancer treatment. Becky's Gift was started eight years ago by two Scripps Ranch families and the community response has been inspiring. If you'd like to donate unwrapped toys, please contact my office at 619-236-6655 or email MarkKersey@sandiego.gov to coordinate a drop-off before December 18. All items collected will be distributed among three cancer centers in San Diego through Becky's Gift. Happy holidays!



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Flu Season



The San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency reports that flu season is building momentum. Follow the tips at http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/hhsa/programs/phs/immunization_branch/flu_update.html to make sure you and your family stay healthy for the holidays and into the new year.

The flu has affected me and my family in a very personal way, which is why I feel to strongly about the importance of getting a flu shot. All local health providers give flu shots, and the County of San Diego has special clinics for those without health insurance. Call 2-1-1 to find your nearest clinic or visit <http://211sandiego.org/>

Trash vs. Recycle City of San Diego Resources



In an effort to keep residential sewer pipes clear, please remember that fats, oils and grease go in the trash, not down the drain. Cooking grease coats pipelines much like fatty foods clog human arteries. The grease build-up leads to blockage and potential sewer spills. Instead, pour small amounts of cooking oil into a non-recyclable package and dispose of it in the garbage. Learn other simple steps and about the City's residential cooking oil and grease recycling program available at the Miramar Landfill at <https://www.sandiego.gov/mwwd/sewerspill/grease>



Used and broken string lights are not recyclable in your blue bin. They get tangled in the recycling equipment and could cause damage to machinery and/or harm to workers.

Explore recycling options at the Miramar Recycling Center at <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/centers/miramarrecycle> or <http://www.wastefreesd.org/>

In the Community



After a frustrating series of delays and numerous meetings with the private developer responsible for the road widening project at Rancho Bernardo Road and Bernardo Center Drive, Phase 1 of the project is nearly complete. The Bernardo Center Drive lane and intersection are now open. Project updates from the developer are being posted to the Rancho Bernardo Community Council website:

<http://rbcommunitycouncil.com/>



Declaring November 5, 2017 as 'Bob McClure Day' in the City of San Diego, which recognizes Bob for his 30-year leadership as Director of the San Diego Zoo Safari Park located in the San Pasqual Valley, District Five.



Having lunch at Athens Market Café. with Duomo Realty Corp., winners of a silent auction supporting a local community foundation.



Celebrating the groundbreaking of The Glen at Scripps Ranch, the first full-service continuing care retirement community in Scripps. This project received unanimous approval of the Scripps Miramar Ranch Planning Group and meets a growing need in the community.



Enjoying the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation Thanksgiving Luncheon. Congratulations to the 22 organizations who received more than \$71,000 worth of grants.



Meeting with a Rancho Bernardo Neighborhood Watch group to share updates about SDPD officer and police chief recruitment.

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Community Calendar

Merry-Tage Court

Dec 1-31 | Stonebridge Pkwy and Merritage Ct

<http://www.10news.com/lifestyle/where-to-find-dazzling-christmas-light-streets-in-san-diego>

Scripps Performing Arts Presents The Nutcracker

Dec 9, 10 | David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre

<http://scrippsperformingartsacademy.com/nutcracker/>

Christmas Card Lane

Dec 9-31 | Oviedo Street off Black Mountain Road

<http://www.10news.com/lifestyle/where-to-find-dazzling-christmas-light-streets-in-san-diego>

Scripps Ranch Tree Lighting & Symphony in the Park Holiday Concert

Dec 10 | Jerabek Park

<https://www.scrippsranch.org/committees/holiday-tree-lighting>

Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting Reception

Dec 12 | Webb Park/US Bank

http://rbbaconnect.com/events/chistmas_tree_menorah_lighting.html

Stars at West Sycamore

Dec 15 | East end of Stonebridge Pkwy

<http://www.mtrp.org/events>

SD Cares: It's in our Blood, Blood Drive

Dec 16 | SD Town and Country Convention Center

<https://icaresandiego.com/>

Santa Claus at the Scripps Ranch Farmers Market

Dec 23 | 10380 Spring Canyon Road

<http://www.srfm.org/events>

Feedback Needed

Your responses to this survey will help me better understand your needs as a resident of the City of San Diego. Please take a moment to complete the survey today at <http://bit.ly/sdconstituentsurvey>



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Rancho Encantada | Rancho Peñasquitos | Sabre Springs | San Pasqual
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